में कह रहे हैं अगर कहीं उनकी जानकारी में कोई स्पेसेफिक केस हो तो बता दें।

श्री भूपेन्द्र सिंह मान : सारे नार्दर्न बेल्ट में ऐसा है।

उपसभापति : क्वेश्चन नम्बर 386।

Privileges enjoyed by the members of TAC and PAC

*386. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the names and addresses of the present members of the Telecom Advisory Committee (TAC) as well as Postal Advisory Committee (PAC) for Assam circle stating the respective interests represented;

(b) What are the details of privileges, facilities and other powers viz. sanctioning/recommending new telephone connections or opening of new telephone exchanges or expansion of their capacity enjoyed by the members of the said TAC as well as those of the said PAC;

(c) what is the tenure of the current TAC and PAC for the Assam Circle;

(d) what are the details of meetings held so far by the said TAC and PAC, meeting-wise details alongwith the recommendations made by them and those implemented by the Government, member-wise details; and

(e) what are the details of the amounts of Travelling Allowance and Daily Allowance admissible at present to the said TAC and PAC members, and the details of the amount of Travelling Allowance and Daily Allowance paid to each of the said TAC and PAC members so far during their current tenure?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) The required information in respect of TAC, Assam Circle is furnished in the enclosed statement I (See below). Postal Advisory Committee for Assam Circle has not yet been constituted.

(b) The required information in respect of Telecom Advisory Committee members is furnished in the enclosed statement II (see below). Members of Postal Advisory Committee do not enjoy any privileges.

(c) The tenure of the current TAC of Assam circle will expire on 31-12-93. As regards PAC, question does not arise in view of (a) above.

(d) 3 meetings of Telecom Advisory Committee for Assam circle had taken place one each in June 92, January 93 and May 93 respectively. Apart from the normal deliberations, the members of Telecom Advisory Committee unanimously recommended as follows:

Month	Recommendations
January 93	Increase in free call limit for TAC members from 1,200 to 3,000.
May 1993	Apart from OYT and N-OYT Spl, TAC should have powers to sanction telephone connections in N-OYT General category also.

The above recommendations were not accepted as these were against the policy of the Government.

(e) Non-official members are paid Travelling Allowance and Daily Allowance at the admissible rates for actual journey from their place of residence to place of meeting in the case of TAC and PAC. In the case of PAC no expenditure was incurred as the PAC was not constituted. In the case of TAC, an amount of Rs. 31,922/- has been incurred as TA and DA of the TAC members of the current TAC so far.

Statement I

List of the members nominated on the Telecom Advisory Committee for Assam constituted for a period of two years upto 31-12-1993

1. MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

1. Shri B. K. Handique,
Kushal Konvar Path,
Jorhat-785001, Assam.

2. Shri Kirip Chaliha,
Zoo Napangi Tin-Ali,
Zoo Road, Guwahati (Assam).

3. Shri B. Kalita,
Vill. Pubsitara,
Rangia-781354 (Assam).

4. Shri Nurul Islam,
P.O. Dhubri, District Dhubri,
Assam.

5. Shri Rongpi Jayanta, M.P.,
30, Meena Bagh,
New Delhi-1.

2. STATE LEGISLATURE

1. Shri Zahirul Islam, M.L.A.,
Assam Legislative Assembly.
Guwahati.

2. Shri Nagbanshi J.C.,
Ex. Minister, Tinsukhia,
Assam.

3. STATE ADMINISTRATION

1. Shri H.N. Das, IAS,
Chief Secretary,
Government of Assam, Dispur,
Guwahati.

4. CORPORATION OR CIVIC BODY

5. PRESS

1. Shri Satish Sharma,
UNI President,
Guwahati Press Club,
Guwahati.

2. Shri Romesh Nirmal.
Nav Bharat, Hemant Niwas,
Ground Floor,
Lakhmichatterjee Lane,
Pan Bazar, Guwahati.

6. MEDICAL PROFESSION

1. Dr. Tapan Borboruah,
Sibsagar Town,
Assam.

7. LEGAL PROFESSION (2)

1. Shri Nirmal Chandra Sarkar,
Sr. Advocate, Ex. G.S. DCC (I)
Ward No. 2, Dhubri, Assam.

2. Mohd. Abdul Aziz,
C/o Shri Ratneswar Das, M.L.A.,
Goalpara East Assembly
Constituency,
Goalpara.

3. Shri R. K. Agarwala,
Advocate, Sibsagar, Assam.

8. ALL OTHER PROFESSIONS LIKE ENGINEERS ARCHITECTS, ETC (2)

1. Mrs. Swarna Prabha Barua,
Amolapatty,
Near Sankar Mandir Nagaon,
Assam.

2. Mrs. Nazneen Farooqui, Nagaon,
Assam.

9. TRADE, COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (6)

1. Shri Ravindra Singh,
Nagrijuli Tea Estate,
P.O. Nagrijuli,
T.O. Rangiya District,
Kamrup,
Assam.

2. Shri Mohan Lal Jain,
Golaghat, Assam.

3. Shri Ajit Chaliha. Dibrugarh,
Assam.

10. PUBLIC WORKERS & OTHERS (8)

1. Shri Deben Bora,
Ex. M.L.A., Fauzdaripatti,
Nagaon, Assam.

2. Shri Abu Jaher Ali Bapuri,
Secretary,
Dhubri District Congress (I),
Committee, Dhubri,
Assam.

3. Shri Madhabendra Dutta Choudhury,
President, District Panchayat
Parishad,
Karimganj - 788710.

4. Maulana Farid Uddin Chowdhury,
P.O. Badarpur, District Karimganj,
Assam.

5. Shri Kunja Lal Hagjer,
General Secretary,
Diphu, DCC (I),
P.O. Jengraimukh, Majuli Jorhat,
Assam.

6. Shri Lakhi Praasd Hazarika,
Ex. Minister, Nagaon,
District Nagaon, Assam.

7. Shri Dhaniram Tisso,
Ex-Chairman, Karbi Anglong
District Council. Karbi Anglong,
Assam.

8. Shri Akon Borah,
Joint Secretary,
North-Eastern Congress (I) Coordn.
Committee,
Thana Road,
Shillong 793 001.

9. Anjan Datta,
President.
Assam Pradesh Youth Congress (I),
Assam.

10. Shri Khalil Rehman,
President, NSUI.
Assam.

11. Shri Tazamul Hussain,
President,
Assam Pradesh Congress Seva Dal,
Assam.

12. Shri Parul Bora,
General Secretary,
Assam PCC (I).

13. Shri Sundar Buragohain,
Moranhat, Sibsagar-785670.

14. Shri Dorsingh Terang,
Ex. Minister,
Dokmoka (K. Anglong),
Assam.

15. Miss Rani Gogoi,
Jail Road, Jorhat.

16. Shri Pulakesh Barua, Ex. M.L.A.,
Nalbari.

17. Shri Mohan Basumatari,
Ex. M.L.A.,
Guwahati.

18. Smt. Mridula Saharia,
Ex. M.L.A., Guwahati.

19. Shri Mohit Sen Gupta,
Secy. DCC, P.O. Raiganj,
Distt. West Dinajpur.

20. Smt. Andware Bedgum,
President, Mahila Congress
DCC (I),
Hargherita, Assam.

21. Sh. Safigul Haque.
General Secretary,
Guwahati City Youth Congress,
Hedayatpur,
Guwahati.

22. Mrs. Lily Islam.
C/o Mr. M. Islam,
Additional Chief Engineer.
Sibmandir Hatigar,
Ramunimaidam,
Guwahati-21.

Statement II

The details of the privileges, facilities and other powers of Members of TAC are as follows:

(i) As a member of Telecom Advisory Committee, he will be provided with a telephone connection on out of turn basis during his tenure. No rental will be charged for the telephone and 1200 free calls will be allowed bi-monthly;

(ii) He will be entitled to claim TA/DA at the rate admissible to him for attending the meeting.

(iii) At the time of bulk release in an exchange a Telecom Advisory Committee could recommend upto 5% of the total number of telephones being released, subject to a maximum of 100 telephones for provision on out of turn priority basis from OYT General and N-OYT Special categories.

(iv) A member of Telecom Advisory Committee is entitled to retain his telephone connection on private account on expiry of his tenure if he does not have any other telephone connection in his name at any place within the jurisdiction of the TAC of which he was a member.

श्री गया सिंह: आदरणीया उपसभापति महोदया, मंत्री जी ने जो कई बिन्दुओं का जवाब दिया है लेकिन इसमें जो मूल सवाल है उसका जवाब स्पष्ट रूप से नहीं दिया है कि दोनों समितियों की अब तक कितनी बैठकें हुई और उन बैठकों में कितनी सिफारिशें की गई और अलग अलग सदस्यों की उन सिफारिशों में से अब तक कितनी लागू की गई हैं।

श्री सुखराम: मेडम, माननीय सदस्य ने जो मैंने पढ़ा है, उस पर ध्यान नहीं दिया। मैंने यह भी कहा है कि ... (**व्यवधान**)

उपसभापति: आपकी आवाज़ नहीं सुनी होगी। आप माइक पर बोल दीजिये (**व्यवधान**)

श्री सुखराम: मैंने यह कहा कि तीन मीटिंगें हुई हैं जो जून, 1992, जनवरी, 1993 और मई, 1993 में हुई है। जो रिकमेंडेशंस उन्होंने की है वह भी मैंने पढ कर सुना दी है और उन पर जो फैसला हुआ, वह भी आपको बता दिया है।

श्री गया सिंह: मेरे पास जो यह स्टेटमेंट आपने पढ़ा है इसमें आपका जवाब नहीं है तो मैं क्या करूंगा।

उपसभापति: वह जबानी भी बोल रहे हैं।

श्री सुखराम: मैंने लिख कर दिया हुआ है।

उपसभापति: जो बोल रहे हैं आप उन्हें सुनिये।

श्री सुखराम: वैसे मेडम क्वेश्चन लम्बा था। मैं यह भी कह सकता था कि स्टेटमेंट इज लेड आन दी टेबल आफ दी हाऊस। मैंने इसलिए पढ़ कर सुनाया।

उपसभापति: सेकेंड सप्लीमेंटरी। नहीं पूछना है?

श्री गया सिंह: नहीं।

SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: The hon. Minister, in his reply has said that the Postal Advisory Committee for Assam Circle has not yet been constituted. May I know when he is going to constitute the Postal Advisory Committee for Assam Circle?

SHRI SUKH RAM: Very soon.

उपसभापति: श्री गुजराल। आसाम से रिलेटेड सवाल पूछिएगा।

SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL: Madam, the hon. Minister has naturally given a long reply. It would have been better if he had placed it on the Table of the House so that we could have followed it in a better way.

The question I am going to ask is, will the hon. Minister tell us the specific far-reaching recommendation, even one, which the Committee made and it has affected the Government's policy.

SHRI SUKH RAM: Madam, the reply was, of course, long but the hon. Member was not satisfied even after I read out the answer.

The TAC has recommended that the free call limit should be increased from 1200 to 3000. This is not possible because without any rank we are giving this facility to them. Also they want that they should be given the authority of giving discretionary quota. I think it

should remain with the hon. Members of Parliament. Therefore, it is not possible to accept the recommendations of the TAC.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Next Question.

SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL: Which of these recommendations have been accepted?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Gujral Saheb, we have moved to the next question.

Privatisation of All India Radio

*387. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to privatise All India Radio;

(b) if so, what is the present stage of consideration of the proposal; and

(c) what are the details finalised in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Madam, from newspaper reports we find that apart from Doordarshan, AIR is giving FM channel to private people on a time-slot basis. There is a continuous stream of articles saying that privatisation of the various media is in the air. The word 'privatisation' may not be an appropriate word. I want to know about All India Radio, what structural changes are being envisaged and what are the Government's ideas on the subject.

SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO: Madam, there is no proposal to privatise All India Radio. The proposal is to give applicants a chance to take time-slots per transmission in a day. If anyone wants 365 days subject to three transmissions a day, he gets more priority, then comes 182 days and then 90 days and so on. The maximum number gets the priority because we would like to earn revenue from these selling of time-slots. So, it is only three transmissions per day. That is all.

SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: I want to know whether it is only for FM channel or you are going to extend it for AM channel also, and whether you are going to adopt the same Doordarshan Metro policy of 'first come first served' or you are following some other procedure.

SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO: At the moment, the scheme prepared is only for FM channel and it is on 'first come first served' basis. It is going on at the moment and we will be taking up the review of the same after some time.

388. [*The questioner* (*SHRI BHADRESHWAR GOHAIN*) *was absent. For answer, vide. col.* 43 *infra*]

389. [*The questioners* (*DR. JINENDRA KUMAR JAIN AND SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ*) *were absent. For answer, vide col.* 44 *infra.*]

Power Generation Target in Gujarat

*390. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:

SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the target fixed for the generation of power in Gujarat State till 30th June, 1993;

(b) the number of power generation plants in Gujarat at present and the names of place where they are located;

(c) whether Government have received any proposal regarding setting up of new power plants in Gujarat State during Eighth Five Year Plan period; and

(d) if so, what are the names of the Districts where these plants are proposed to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI N.K.P. SALVE): (a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.